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# COMMENT ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE Re: PETITION TO ADD DAVID CAPLAN AS AN INVENTOR

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The following response to the Notice of Allowance mailed on October 7, 2004 includes an interview summary, a comment on the reasons for allowance, and a reminder that David Caplan must be added as an inventor per an earlier filed petition.

#### I. Comments on the Reasons for Allowance

Reasons for Allowance are only warranted in instances in which "the record of the prosecution as a whole does not make clear his or her reasons for allowing a claim or claims." In the present case, Applicants believe the record as a whole does make the reasons for allowance provided

by the Examiner clear and therefore no statement by the Examiner is necessary or warranted.

Furthermore, Applicants do not necessarily agree with each statement in the reasons for allowance.

Applicants respectfully request that these comments be placed in the application file.

## II. Re: Petition to Add David Caplan as an Inventor

Applicants' representative filed a petition to add David Caplan as an inventor on October 27, 2004. However, no confirmation of such as been received from the Office. Applicants kindly request that David Caplan be added as an inventor (as petitioned) before issuance of the patent.



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Respectfully submitted,

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